Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

1832.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

At an Annual Communication of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, September 11th, A. L. 5832.

PRESENT:

M.E. SAMUEL CLARKE, . .	Grand High Priest.
E. ROBERT LASH, . .	Deputy Grand High Priest.
" LEMUEL GAY, . . .	Grand King, *pro tem.*
" JOHN B. HAMMATT, . .	Grand Scribe, *pro tem.*
" ABRAHAM A. DAME, .	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE, . .	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD, .	Grand Marshal.
" SIMON W. ROBINSON, " FRANCIS R. BIGELOW,	Grand Stewards.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Members.

E. DANIEL L. GIBBENS, E. JOHN J. LORING.

The following Chapters were represented, viz: — St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form, and several visiters admitted by vote.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following report was read and accepted.

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, in discharge of the duty devolving upon them, have examined the books, records and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer. The books and records of the Secretary are neatly and correctly transcribed and kept.

Your Committee recommend that the sum of thirty dollars be paid to this officer for his services the past year. The accounts of the Treasurer are correctly kept and properly avouched.

On settlement of his accounts the last year, the Treasurer had in his hands the sum of . .	$998 84
He has received from several Chapters, . .	45 00
And allowed interest for money in his hands, .	50 00
Making, . . .	$1093 84
He has paid during the past year for sundry expenses of the Grand Chapter, including the sum of $40 to the Board of Relief, the sum of	172 47
Leaving a balance in his hands of	$921 37

The Grand Treasurer declines any compensation for his services.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN R. BRADFORD,
ELIAS HASKELL,
GILBERT NURSE,
Committee of Finance.

Boston, Sept. 11, 1832.

A petition for charity was received from Comp. Henry Fowle, and committed to Comps. Robert Lash, Abraham A. Dame, and Edward A. Raymond, who reported that fifteen dollars be given him from the funds of the Grand Chapter.

Comp. Henry Purkett was appointed a Committee to present the same.

A letter was read from Comp. Lebbeus Stetson, Secretary of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, giving notice of the postponement of its meeting until the 28th of November next, in consequence of the sickness prevailing in Baltimore and other places.

Voted, That the vote passed at the last meeting, postponing the election of officers to October next, be reconsidered, and that the election of officers take place at this meeting.

Voted, That the Grand Chapter now proceed to the election of officers.

Comps. John J. Loring, Robert Keith, and Simon W. Robinson, were appointed a Committee to collect, assort and count the votes. The votes beng taken, the following companions were declared duly elected to the offices set against their names, viz:

Hon. JOSIAH J. FISKE of Wrentham, .	Grand High Priest.
" CHARLES WELLS of Boston, .	Grand King.
E. EDWARD A. RAYMOND of Boston,	Grand Scribe.
" ABRAHAM A. DAME of Boston, .	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE of Boston, . .	Grand Secretary.

Voted, That Comps. Abraham A. Dame, Robert Lash, and John R. Bradford, be a Committee to inform Comps. Fiske and Wells of their election.

Voted, That the sum of forty dollars be appropriated for charitable purposes the present year, under the direction of the Masonic Board of Relief.

Voted, That this Grand Chapter adjourn until the first Tuesday in October next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of installing the officers, and organizing the Grand Chapter.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter closed in ancient form.

A true record.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

ADJOURNED MEETING.

At an Adjourned Meeting of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, October 2d, A. L. 5832.

PRESENT:

E. ROBERT LASH, . .	Grand High Priest, *pro tem.*
" ENOCH HOBART, . .	Grand King, *pro tem.*
" CHARLES WELLS, . .	Grand Scribe.
" ABRAHAM A. DAME, .	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE, . .	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD, .	Grand Marshal.
" SIMON W. ROBINSON, " FRANCIS R. BIGELOW,	Grand Stewards.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN, . .	Grand Tyler.

Members.

E. and Rev. PAUL DEAN, E. JOHN J. LORING.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, St. Paul's and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form, and several visiters admitted by vote.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to inform Comps. Fiske and Wells of their election, reported, that Comp. Fiske accepted the office of Grand High Priest, and Comp. Wells declined accepting the office of Grand King.

Voted to proceed to fill the vacancy of Grand King.

Comps. John J. Loring, Simon W. Robinson, and Francis R. Bigelow, were appointed a Committee to collect, assort and count the votes, who reported the whole number of votes given in were for E. Comp. EDWARD A. RAYMOND.

E. Comp. CHARLES WELLS, was unanimously elected to the office of Grand Scribe.

E. Comp. Paul Dean, reported, that in Convention of High Priests, the Order of High Priesthood had been conferred on E. Comp. Josiah J. Fiske.

Comps. Abraham A. Dame, John J. Loring,. John R. Bradford, Elias Haskell, and Gilbert Nurse, were appointed a Committee to introduce the Grand High Priest elect, who was regularly installed into office by E. Comp. Paul Dean, Grand King of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and by request of the High Priest, installed the remaining elective officers.

The following appointments were made by the Grand High Priest, viz:

E. ROBERT LASH of Boston, .	Deputy Grand High Priest.
" and Rev. SEBASTIAN STREETER of Boston,	Grand Chaplains.
" " SAMUEL BARRETT of Boston,	
" " SETH ALDEN of Marlborough,	
" " WILLIAM MORSE of Nantucket,	
" JOHN R. BRADFORD, . .	Grand Marshal.
" ELIJAH ATHERTON, " SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand Lecturers.

Comp. ELIAS HASKELL, " GILBERT NURSE, " ENOCH HOBART,	Committee of Finance.
" MICHAEL ROULSTONE, " JOHN HEWS, " CHARLES W. MOORE,	Committee on Charity.
" FRANCIS R. BIGELOW, " LEMUEL GAY,	Grand Stewards.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Voted, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be given to E. and Rev. Comps. Samuel Clarke and Charles Train, for the able, faithful and impartial manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices for three successive years.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ample form.

A true record.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary

STATED COMMUNICATION.

At a Stated Communication of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this Commonwealth, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, December 11th, A. L. 5832.

PRESENT:

M.E. JOSIAH J. FISKE,	Grand High Priest.
E. SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Dep. Gr. High Priest, *p. t.*
" ENOCH HOBART,	Grand King, *pro tem.*

E. JOHN HEWS,	Grand Scribe, *pro tem.*
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
Comp. JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Members.

E. PAUL DEAN, E. JOHN ABBOTT.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:— St. Andrew's, Adoniram, St. Paul's, and Mount Horeb.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form, and several visiters admitted by vote.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Voted, That so far as this Grand Chapter is interested in the property, the Masonic Board of Directors have full permission to present the Chandelier formerly used in Mason's Hall, to the Trustees of the Bethel Church, if they shall deem it expedient.

Voted, To extend the Charter of Bethlehem Chapter for the further term of one year.

Voted, That the Council of this Grand Chapter be authorized to appoint, if they deem it expedient, some suitable person to visit the Chapters under this jurisdiction, to examine into their condition and collect the dues to this Grand Chapter, and that they be authorized to draw on the Grand Treasurer for the expenses attending the same.

The M.E. Grand High Priest gave a brief, but very interesting account of the reception of the delegation, and of the proceedings of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, at Baltimore, on the 28th ultimo. He was followed by Rev. Comp. Paul Dean on the same subject.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ancient form.

A true record.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

STATED COMMUNICATION.

At a Stated Communication of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, at the Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening, June 11th, A. L. 5833.

PRESENT:

E. ROBERT LASH,	Gr. High Priest, *pro tem.*
" EDWARD A. RAYMOND,	Grand King.
" DANIEL L. GIBBENS,	Grand Scribe, *pro tem.*
" ABRAHAM A. DAME,	Grand Treasurer.
" SAMUEL HOWE,	Grand Secretary.
" JOHN R. BRADFORD,	Grand Marshal.
Comp. FRANCIS R. BIGELOW, " LEMUEL GAY,	Grand Stewards.
" ELIJAH ATHERTON, " SIMON W. ROBINSON,	Grand Lecturers.
" ELIAS HASKELL, " GILBERT NURSE, " ENOCH HOBART,	Committee of Finance.
" JOHN HEWS, " CHAS. W. MOORE,	Committee of Charity.
" JOSIAH BALDWIN,	Grand Tyler.

Member.—E. HENRY PURKETT.

The following Chapters were represented, viz:—St. Andrew's, St. Paul's, and Mount Zion.

The Grand Chapter was opened in due form, and several visiters admitted by vote.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion, *Voted*, That this Grand Chapter appropriate from its funds the sum of one hundred dollars towards the completion of the Bunker Hill Monument, and that the Grand Treasurer be directed to pay the same to the President of the Mechanic Association.

Parts of lectures were given on the Mark and Royal Arch degrees, and the Grand Chapter was closed in ancient form.

A true record.

Attest,

SAMUEL HOWE,
Grand Secretary.

The Stated Communications are held in Boston, on the Tuesday next preceding the second Wednesday in June, September and December. The Massachusetts Convention of High Priests hold their meetings in Boston, on the same days.

Communications to the Grand Chapter may be directed to SAMUEL HOWE, Grand Secretary, Boston.